

SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 8, 1900.

THE U.S. House of Representatives yesterday passed the anti-pleomargarine bill, a bill to so tax spurious butter as to raise its price to that of butter rand of pure cream. As the Constitution prohibits the imposition of taxes except for revenue purposes and provides that all taxes must be equal, the bill in its present shape can bardly s'and the test of the courts. Then, too, the manufacture of butterine has become an extensive business, and the chemists have declared that it is more wholesome than butter, and why cow's suct should be taxed, while cow's cream should not be, is by no means patent. There is no doubt that a man relishes his hot roll or biscuit better if assured that the butter on it is pure, but how can he have such assurance when he knows that the anti-saloon people, on the ground country people buy oleomargarine in town, take it home with them, make it into prints, and then bring it back to looked forward to with the greatest exmarket and sell it as the product of their own courne?

THE ARMY bill as passed by the government is in too many businesses al- going abroad in any official capacity ready, and should certainly keep out of whatever. the liquor trade. As this poses as a favor upon the demand made by the free country, people should be allowed brewers that they be relieved of half to drink whisky if they tkink they are their present tax. He considers that rich enough to bear the expense, sol. if they are allowed about \$9,000,000 rediers as well as others. But they can they ought to be satisfied if not gratealways do so without the sid of the ful. government, and there is no camp, not men who make the beer of the country even a camp meeting, near which liquor cannot be readily obtained, and Congress is prepared to give them. If every intelligent man knows that where they were taxed upon the alcohol in beer and wines are sold, whisky can be their beer alone, they would pay more bought with little or no difficulty. Al- way. There is a gallon and a half a cohol is not a necessary, except in sick- alcohol in every barrel of beer. The ness, and then it will be supplied by tax on alcohol is a dollar a gallon.

Looking at it in this light I fail to see the surgeons.

THE Southern Business Conv n lo: in New Orleans adjourned yesterdaywhich the South can be benefited is,

The programme in the Senate next of direct trade with foreign nations. not by arms, and with the South's facilifault of her own people if she doesn't to profit by them.

the British troops and of the chasing siderable majority.

Secretary of War Root says he has been supported by the soldiers. conutry houses of the absent Boers by while the crying women and little children, who had lived in those houses. looked on in alarm and terror, remind federal troops nearly forty years ago. young man. Such memories are not pleasant, but House Committee on Rules, as far as it they are involuntary, and they are constantly being revived by current events.

A MEMBER of the British Parliament maile a speech in that body yesterday in wir ch he declared "he did not beliave the conduct of the British soldiers republicans seem to be united on this in South Africa had been as black as that of the American troops in the bill will be interrupted by the centen-Philippines," But American imperialists declare that the United States troops in the Philippines are prosecuting the most mild mannered war that was ever fought. Of disputed points disinterested people are naturally the better judges.

THE British must have acted on the idea that coming events cast their shadows before, when they refused to allow the English Channel to be tunneled for the powers it will not be made public a railroad. But General Mercier has berr. At the same time all of the powa railroad. But General Mercier has denied that in his recent speech in the French Chamber of Deputies he advised the invasion of England. And then, as the tunnel could be easily flooded from the English end, the danger of invasion by such means armada.

THE LONDON Saturday review se verely criticises President McKinley's remarks on the Philippine war, and endorses Prof.Sawyer's references to the "hideous orgie of murder, plunder, and slave-raiding in Minandano." But the orgie referred to, according to Northern republican newspapers, is in the interest of the outraged people of the isl- go ahead with canal legislation regardands, and is conducive to humanity and civilization-they have apparently abandoned the old, absurd cry of Christ- fashion."

TENTH IN LINE .- Lieut. Ged, Miles has issued general orders assigning the Haven and other cities held a private announcing that he will suspend priests various States to positions in the lice the action of the trade on the war tax held in opposition to him, as well as of march at the capital centennial pa- on beer. The sense of the meeting was rade to be held in Washington next that the tax represented 40 per cent. of Wednesday. Virginia is tenth in the list of States in the order of admission into the union and, therefore, takes tenth place in the parade after the President and escort. The governor, his staff and the Seventieth Virginia regiment will follow New Hampshire and lead New York.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gasette.]

Washington, December 8. Joseph Mauley, republican national terpretation by the brethren" The members of that body have unanitheir wishes. A good deal also depends after that call will be able to say whether I refuse or accept the place." open for Mr. Manley his friends say he will take the commissionership.

The friends of the army bill hoped it

would go through the Senate at once by means of a conference committee, but they have been sadly disappointed, and it will now have to take the usual long way. It has been referred to a committee. Much opposition will be made to it on account of its anti-canteen provision. It was said also that the House was urged to pass the anticanteen amendment by Congressmen Grosvenor and Dick, of Onio, who feared that its defeat might have a bad etfect in their State. Lieutenant Governor Caldwell ran more than thirty thousand votes behind the ticket, owing to the anti-saloon element opposition, and Dick and Grosvenor orged that action by the Senate, in line with the wishes of the church people which might prove beneficial as a conciliatory measure. Senator Foraker. who is up for re-election, is opposed by hat he is responsible for the defeat of local option by the Ohio legislature, and his attitude on the canteen question is pectancy.

Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, denies the story that he is to be appointed Minister to Austria to succeed Mr. Harris, who has tendered his resignalower branch of Congress probibits the tion, or that he is to be made Ambasarmy canteen. That is right. The sador to Russia. He says he is not

Secretary Gage does not look with are objects of charity" he said. "In fact. they will do well to take the reduction that been signed by a large number of properties of the army and navy, including the signed of the army and navy, including the signed of the army and navy, including the signed of the signed of the army and navy, including the signed of the on what ground they can claim are 'uction of a dollar a barrel or any amount approximating it. Beer is a luxury and I do not think the country at practically without any beneficial re- large believes that the brewers are lossult. The best conceivable way by ing money even if they are obliged to

not by looking to the North for help, week includes work on only two subbut by the pooling of the interests of its | jects-the Hay-Pauncefote treaty and men of affairs and the establishment the ship subsidy bill. On Monday Mr. Lodge will again ask the Senate to go into executive session on the treaty as without sharing the profits with the soon as morning business is finished.

North. The growth and prosperity of Then Senator Clay, of Georgia, will Roberts, Lerd Wolseley and other army effiall States are effected by commerce, and open the debate for the democrats in same programme will be followed Tuesties for such advancement it will be the day, while Wednesday will be devoted to celebrating the centennial of the posed entirely of the totalers Rev. Dr. Din-District of Columbia. On Thursday the widdle, of the American anti-Salom League Senate has agreed to take a vote on the | and Mrs. Catherine Stevens, of Massachusetts THE accounts of the burning of the Davis amendment to the Hay Pauncefore treaty. It is already settled that the

not ordered an investigation of the mat- | ing affirmatively answered he asked Chap ter of the slieged hazing of late Cadet Bocz at West Point and would take no missions in the Philippines he would in action in the matter unless formal com-Virginians of the kind of warfare that plaint and request for such investigation was prosecuted against them by the should be made by the father of the According to the programme of the

has been outlined, the first subject of Junta at Hongkong. consideration, Monday, will be the judicial, executive and legislative appropriation bills. This will be put out of the way by a vote either Monday afternoon or Tuesday and then the war tax reduction bill will come up. The measure, except perhaps on the beer nial celebration programme Wednesday,

out will be resumed Thursday.

The work on the rivers and harbors bill is nearing completion and if the House should be ready for it. Chairman Burton will be prepared to present it.

The State department has finally reduced the agreement of the envoys at Pekin from cipher to English. However, so far as known, only the representatives of the United States and Japan has been ordered to sign it and until it is ageed by representatives of all ers baye agreed to the collective note and the receipt of orders by the envoys

is only a matter of formality.

There is danger that legislation in behalf of the Nicaragua canal will be blocked for this session and postponed for another year if the Senate persists in amending the Hay-Pauscefote would be no greater than by that of an treaty. The present prospects are that armada. and that the treaty itself cannot be ratified unless it is adopted. The vote is to be taken Thursday next on the amendment, but the idea that the treaty will be voted upon the same day

is an erroneous on.

Action on the canal bill will be postponed until after England has ratified less of our international obligations, but I am sure the majority will desire to proceed in this matter in an orderly

Representatives of the brewery interests of Philadelphia, New York, Balt more, St. Louis, Cincinnati, New meeting in this city today relative to who attend or participate in meetings its effect was that of paralyzing the business and that the brewers would stand anited in attempting to have Congress remove the entire tax on

adjourned at noon today. It was agreed protection,

that no change is desired by the Pres-byterians in the doctrinal system, yet a new phraseology is urged so that the confession of faith "will have only in-Secrecommitteeman from Maine, called at tary Roberts says that the returns the White House today, when he said painly indidate that the church dethe Internal Revenue commissionship sires some change in the credal statehad not been formerly offered him. But | ment, These returns indicate plainly he did say : "I must attend the legisla- that no change is desired which would ture this coming session, whether I in any way impair the integrity of the fession of faith. These returns also inmously chosen me speaker and I feel dicate tha a large plurality desire that that I am in duty bound to carry out changes should be made by some new statement of present doctrine. The on my holding my seat, looking at it returns also indicate a desire from a political point of view. I am to upon the part of many Presbyteries for see the President again on Monday and some revision of the present Confession. It was therefore unanimously agreed by the committee to recommend to the If the President will hold the place keneral assembly that some revision or change be made in our confessional statements. Substantial but not final agreement was reached as to the merhod of preparing changes embodying both revision and supplemental statement but the determining of the whole mat ter was deferred to a subsequent meet

ing. A democratic Senator is authority for the statement that if the proper effort be made, the attempt to cut the South out of some of its representation by reapportionment, can be defeated.

The racing season at Be mings closed oday. That at Chesapeake Beach will commence on Monday next. Thus does vinter racing prosper in the District of Columbia and in Maryland, but it is pro" hibited by the Virginia legislature.

A bill providing for the purchase of he farm on which the surrender of Yorktown was made was introduced in the Senate some years ago by Senator Daniel. It will now be pressed by Senator Martin.
In the House today Mr. Bixey introduced

In the House today Mr. Excey introduced the following bills: A bill granting an increase of pension of sixty dollars per month to Capt, B. H. Atkinson, of Alexandris, Vs., late of Co F, Vs. & Vcl.; a bill for the relief of Jonas Early, of Fauquier county, Vs., to pay \$33.75 for supplies taking by the Urion army during the war between the Statest a petition asking that the claim of States; a petition asking that the claim of Sarnett Sulli van, of Stafford county, for \$1,337 for supplies taken during the war between the States, be referred to the Court of Claims, and a petition seking that a like claim of Gibson R. Whaley, of Fairfax county. for \$4,138.25, be referred to the Court of

Claims,

Mr. Hay introduced a bill for the relief of Henry Neff, of Rockingham county,
Va, to pay \$7,958 for property destroyed by the Union army during the war between

All the principal magazines of the country ; for the month of December, including the Review of Reviews, Cosmopolitan and others, have articles and pictures of the memorial bridge and join in a desire that it be com-menced at this session of Congress. A peti-tion in the shape of a nicely gotten up book ing Adm ral Dawey, Genr. Miles and others. It is proposed that this book, in the event the bridge is built, be placed in the corner stone of the foundation. The neat though short report made by the District Board of Commissioners is appreciated by the people of the District. The army camps, including the Confederate Velerans, have adopted resolutions favoring the same, and it seems that all the people of the country sek for it, but from pre-sent appearances it looks that it will not be erected for a lon: time, as the committee to which the bill for it has been referred is op posed to it, as stated in yester av's G zetts.

The Sensta committee on Military affair today resumed hearings on the question of

the army canteen. The committee room wa crowded with members of the W.C.T.U. The first speaker was Miss Mary Leech, of India She declared that experience had shown that where intoxicating liquors were not used at all by soldiers there was less sickcers to the effect that one-third of the men in the British army are total abstainers and reperatee principle, to the fact that in the Soudan campaign the Pritish army was comfollowed with pleas for the abolishment o the canteen system in the American army Senator Burrows created a decided stir by questioning Chaplein Miller, another witness as to whether he would like a son of his to be surrounded by canteen influences and be augurate the canteen system. To this the

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The British Foreign Office declares it has been unable to discover a Fillipino

Inspector-General Breckinridge in his report says the suparent difference per man per annum in war and peace times is nearly \$300. Sultan Abdul Hamid has invited

Captain Chester, of the battleship Kentucky, to dine in the palace at Constantinople. Bradstreet reports that the failures

for the past week number 224, as against 184 last week, and 220 in this week a year ago.

The Deen Waterways Commission estimates that a 21-foot canal from that all the British prisoners captured the Great Lakes to the Atlantic Ocean at Dewetsdorp had been liberated exwill cost \$206,358,000.

Rebert Harrison Wilson, who married Mrs. Myers, of Caroline county, Md., last summer, as the result of an advertisement, was yesterday arrested for bigamy.

Joseph Chamberlain stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the British Government hoped soon to establish civil government in the Transyaal and Orange State.

Roland Reed, the actor, was again operated on last night at St. Luke's committee on agriculture, which im-Hospital, New York, for cancer of the stomach. His chances of recovery, the physicians say, are slight.

The French Senate yesterday adopted the naval bill, and General Mercier, referring to his recent speech as to invasion of Great Britain, repudiated any intention to appear aggressive toward Great Britain. At Rockville, Md., yesterday the jury

in the case against Emmet E. Griffin, charged with the murder of Albert A. Johnson, at Cabin John, last August, after four hours' deliberation, returned a verdict of not guilty. Count you Buelow, the Chancellor,

speaking before the budget committee of the German Reichstag yesterday, intimated that the German troops now serving in China might be used as the basis of a colonial army.

Moneignor Sharreli, Bishop of Hayana, has published an official letter those who aid or abet opposition directly or indirectly.

Joseph Chamberlain, colonial secretary, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that civil government would shortly be established in the Transvagl and Orange River colonies. He also explained that the Boer women The Presbyterian revision committee had only been deported for their own VIRGINIA NEWS

Mr. Harmon Gregg, of Purcellville, died at his home in that town on Saturday last, in the 90th year of his age.

Mr. Robert W. Brodnax, a wellknown citizen of Lyuchburg, died last night, aged 73 years. He is survived

Mr. C. M. Burt dropped deed from haart disease near Fredericksburg yesterdsy afternoon while going home from his place of business. Professor Simon Carson Wells, a se-

oior member of the faculty of Roanoke College, died at Salem yesterday. He was born in Virginia in 1820, Mr. George Pope, of Brooklyn, has

had a bedsead made in Rome, Italy, costing about \$3,000, and elaborately ornamented by a Richmond artist. The President has sent to the Senate for confirmation the names of E. M. Blackwell and R. K. McClanahan, of

Virginia, to be surgeons in the navy. Mr. A. Poindex er Billingsley, of King George county, and Miss Laura E. Billingsley, daughter of Mr. J. Dabney Billingsley, of Culpeper county, were married on Thursday at Flat Run Baptist Church, in Orange county.

A. B. Blair has tendered his resigna ion as cashier of the Security Bank, Richmond, to take effect December 31. George W. Warren, so long connected with the Planters' National Bank, has been elected to succeed Mr. Blair.

According to a telegram received a Newport News yesterday from a representative of the Newport News Ship building and Drydock Company who was in Washington at the opening of the bids for the new warships, the New port News shippard will get contracts for two armored cruisers and probably one battleship.

Charles G. Scott, for several years assier of the United States Shipping Company, of Newport News, has mysteriously disappeared, and several per-sons to whom he is indebted for sums ranging from \$300 to \$500 would like very much to locate him. His books and accounts at the United States Shipping Company, according to H. J. Fitzgerald, the manager, are all straight and correct.

The Norfolk and Western Railroad Company yesterday ordered ten loco-motives from the Richmond Locomotive Works. The Richmond Locomotive Works report that the demand for locomotives is unusually heavy and that they, like all of the other locomotive builders in this country, have sufficient orders on their books to keep them working both night and day t their utmost capacity for many months to come.

MR. LITTLE INDICTED .- The grand ury in the Corporation Court of Fredericksburg yesterday indicted ex-Senator Wm. A. Little for felony, the charge being that as commissioner appinted by court he sold a piece of land n Caroline county, collected \$900 from the purchaser, G. W. Moss, and failed o made returns of the same. Immedistely after the indictment a bench warsupposed to be in Washington, and it of Vanderbilt, receives the princely ant was issued for his arrest, but he is

Frederick-burg, represented Spottsylvania county and city of Fredericks with the million and a half be-burg in the House of Delegates, and cause he augered his father by persisting that district for twelve years in the in marrying Miss Grace Wilson. It or-State Senate. At one time he made a der to avoid a law-suit the other heirs before the legislature trong fight Court of Fredericksburg, but was defeat-d by the present encumbent, Judge A. V. Wallace. He made a contest for the attorney generalship of the State, have received \$37,000,000 more than be and was regarded as the coming man | did get. Gertrade, the wife of Harry for Congress in his district. He was Payne Whitney, gets \$8 500 000. Regialso very prominent at the bar, where | nald and Gladys, the youngest of the he had a lucrative practice. He is family, will divide \$15,000,000 equally owner of the fine estate, "Boscobel," in Mrs Vanderbilt the widow, gets Stafford county which had been in the Firzough family for two hundred years, and came down to him through a long ine of accestry. On a telegram from State's Attorney Alvin P. Embry, of Fredericksburg, William A. Little was arrested last night at a hotel in Washington and will be taken to Fredericks.

KNOX IS CHASING DE WET.

that General Knox has captured a near the Caledon river and continued in pursuit of De Wet.

The dispatch also says that while the British were handing over women, at bare. The natives of the vicinity of the request of the Buers, under a flag the mountain are moving forward from of truce, at Belfast Wednesday, a force its slopes. of 100 Boers unsuccessfully attacked a neighboring infantry post.

A Boer who has been captured said cept the officers,

De Wet's main force is reported to be hard pressed and the men are suffering from continual trekking.

OLEOMARGARINE .-- The Grout oleomargarine bill, to tax that article when colored in imitation of butter 10 cents a pound, and reduces the tax on uncolored butter, was passed by the House yesterday, by a vote of 196 to 92. substitute offered by the minority of the of oleomargarine to prevent its fraudulent sale as butter, and increased the penalties for violation, was defeated by a vote of 113 to 178. The measure in one form or another has been before

The Virginia members, save Mr. Lassiter, supported the bill. Capt. Lamb made an earnest and vigorous speech in behalf of the measure. He quoted from Virginia officials and letters from constituents to show that public senti ment in Virginia stood broadly behind the bill, showed that the cattle and cottonseed interest would not suffer, and quoted various decisions of the Supreme Court to show that the bill is constitu-

Congress for several years.

MEDICAL EXAMINERS -The State Board of Medical Examiners will meet in Richmond on the 17th instant, and will remain in secsion four days. It is understood that a large number of young dectors will apply for ex-smination for license to practice medicine in

The most effective little liver pills made are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They never

List of Unclaimed Letters

The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice December 8. Dover, D F Fisher, Wm Fisher, Wm Payne, Willie Johnson, MissAnnie D Tayler, Nellie JOS, L. CRUPPER, P. M.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Foreign News

Berlin, Dac 8 .- Emperor William has ordered that one army division be supplied with a new rifle invented by a Norwegian. It is said to beat all other modern rifle inventions.

Constantinople, Dec. 8 -Advices from Teheran say that since the Shah's return from Europe, he has adopted conciliatory policy toward Armenian ; Irades have been issued giving them rade facilities with a view to encouraging the immigration of Armenians into Pereis. It is thought the Sultan will

aid their departure. Lisbon, Dec. 8 -King Castos, the heir apparent Louis Philippe and the Queen Downger Marie wers entertained on board the British battleship Majestic today by Vice Admiral Rawson. Admiral proposed the toast of the Portuguese royal family and the Portuguese national bymn was sung. Later the royal party attended an entertain-

ment at the British legation. Livadia, Dec. 8 -The Czar has practically recovered from his illness and no further bulletins concerning his health will be issued

The Hague, Dec. 8 .- Queen Wilhel mina received President Kruger this afternoon. There was no ceremony about the audience as the Boer President was received as a private citizen only. He drove to the palace accom-panied by a couple of dignitaries in a carriage. Dr. Leyde also accompanied Kruger, but he only went as far as the the interview.

Killed by its Insane Nurse.

New York, Dec. 8 .- Miss Alice O Donnell, the nurse who cut the throat of James Arthur Jones, the 18 months-old baby, last night, was caught in Brooklyn early this morning. The woman is believed to be insane. The dead baby's mother last night went to the kitchen and on the floor discovered her baby with its throat cut from ear to ear. A razor lay nearby. The nurse had fled. The police have excertained that the nurse gave birth to a child some time ago, and concealed it from her family and friends in a local institution. The separation, the police believe, turned her mind.

The O'Donnell woman made a full confession to the police today. She said: "I took little Arthur from his mother because she was not in a condition to hold him. He was fretful and I took him into the kitchen to quiet nim. He was playing with me and I seed him in a dish on the kitcher table. He made me think of my own

little baby."
She then said that she took the razar from the cupboard while acting under an impulse hat she could not resist to hiss the ch.ld, and then, bending its head back cut its throw Physicians attending Mrs. Jones said this afternoon that she will probably not recover from the shock.

The Vanderbilt Estate. New York, Dec. 8 .- The official apraisal of the estate of the late Corne lius Vanderbilt was announced today. The estate is officially appraised a \$72,500,000. Alfred Gwyne Vanderbilt, aged 23 years, by his father's expressed

Mr. Little has been a prominent man eldest son, cut off with a beggarly n Virginia politics. For many years \$1,500,000, will receive \$6,000,000 more was commonwealth's attorney of from Alfred's share to prevent a contest of the will. Cornelius was cut off through Alf preed to cive Chros lenoithba an additional had given up Miss Wilson he, as elder brother, would have been the head of \$2 000,000 in cash, an annual income of \$250,000 and the Vanderbilt palaces in New York and Newport, the stables, household furniture, pictures, silver and

In Eruption.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 8 .- Mount Wrangel, Alaska, is reported in an uproar. The latest outburst from the mouth of the great crater began on the A dispatch from Lord Kitchener, evening of November 4, and was in dated at Bloemfontein yesterday, states | continuance a week later. There were at the time no earthquake shocks but Krupp gun which De Wet abandoned as the eruption progressed. One side of the mountain which had been covered by a great glare was seen on the morning of October 5 to be black and

Evidences of Murder.

Greenville, Mich., Dec. 8 .- The body of Wm. T. Campbell, an old soldier, was found Friday buried under a pile of rubbish in a barn just outside of the city limits. The flesh and muscles had been eaten away by lime with which the body was covered, The skull was broken and a heavy club covered with blood was found nearby. Last August Campbell disappeared and it was reported that he had gone South. S. Alpin who was recently seen wearing some of Campbell's clothing has been placed under arrest on suspicion.

Intend to Partition Turke v

Vienna, Dec. S .- The Frei Post today asserts that Prince Nicolas of Montenegro has organized a league between Roumania, Servia, Bulgaria and Montenegro for the purpose of attacking Turkey while the great powers are occupied with affairs in China. The paper says they intend to partition Turkey among them excepting Constantinople which they will occupy jointly. Operations will begin simultaneously with rebel lions in Macedonia and Albany.

Pope Receives American Sailors. Rome, Dec. 8 .- A detachment of 130 sailors from the U. S. cruiser Dixie came up from Naples this morning and marched into St Peters with an American flag waving at their head. The occasion was a papal reception at which his Holiness officiated. He especially blessed the American seamen and they cheered him loudly. Later they were served with luncheon in the corridors of the Vatican.

From Havana.

Havana, Dec. 8 .- Bishop Sharatti's order prohibiting priests from protesting either directly or indirectly against his decisions is creating a sensation particularly in view of the feeling which exists against the bishop in many na tive circles.

There are only 29 cases of fever resince last spring.

From South Africa.

Johannesburg, Dec. 8 .- Word has reached Kitchener that the Boers have captured 17,000 sheep near Krugersdorp which were intended for the Brit-Krugersdorp is twenty miles from ish. Johannesburg.

London, Dec. S.-Lord Kitchener re-ports that De Wet failed to cross the Orange river at Cumessie bridge, which was held by the British; instead he trekked northeast and is being pressed on all sides.

Capetown, Dec. 8 .- General Lord Roberts arrived here today from Dur ban. He was cheered by crowds at the quay.

Fire in Baltimore.

Baltimore, D c. 8 -Fire broke out at three o'clock this morning in the Baltimore Bargain House, 212 west Baltimore street, causing a loss of \$150 000. Fireman John J. Fiynn fell five storie and escaped with only a broken ankle and a few bruises. Another fireman was t mporarily overcome by smoke. The cause of the fire is unknown.

The Markets Chicago, Doc. 8.—The market closed at ollows: Wheat—Jan 71: Dec 77. Georgetown, Dec. 8.—Wheat 65a70.

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

Washington, December 8. SENATE.

The Senate was not in session today HOUSE.

Mr. Payne secured the passage of a bill to allow brandy to be distilled from fruit without conflict with the in-

ternal revenue laws. The House was recessed until one o'clock, when enlogies of the late Representative Harmer, of Philadelphia, were delivered by Messra. Bingham, Cummings, Adams, Grosvenor, Mc-Cleary, While, the new member from North Carolins; McAleer, Dearmond, the railway company is thinking along Meyer, Sibley, Otey, of Virginia; Cow-

herd and Morrell. The House then adjourned.

WOODLAWN FARMERS' CLUB The December meeting of the Woodawn Farmers' Club assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Lukens on the 34, and was called to order by Mr. F. H. Wilkinson, president. The secretary being absent, J. N. Gibbs was appointed pro tem.

The minutes of the November meetng were not at hand, so the reading hereof was postponed.

A communication was read from the Housekeeper's Association inviting the Fermers' Club to be their guests at heir annual meeting on January 5, 1901, at Sherwood Hall, The invitation was unanimously ac

As there was no further business pre ented for consideration, the club ad-

journed to meet at Walnut Hill, the the railway company as anyone. A residence of Mrs. Anna S. Walton, February 2, 1901. THE LAMBSKIN APRON .- The committee sent to Washington by the Grand | but this is no reason for abstalling free

Lodge of Masons of Virginia to transmit the resolutions presenting to the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia the lambskin apron placed on the tomb of Washington at the Ma onic centennial celebration, has returned ome af er the discharge of its duty. The Grand Lodge of the District

difference will be settled by the co in session this week. The committee was received with marked expressions pany and the people and I believe in proper way without the aid of the c of regard and good-will, and after the respondent or the undersigned. That ceremoni e incident to the presentation and acceptance of the resolutions were ing the Gazette for the courtery

The committee consisted of Messre. W. H. Sands, and A. R. Courtney, of Richmond; R. T. W. Duke, of Charthe house instead of Aifred and would lottesville, and Senator Daviel and Sanator Martin .- [Richmond Dispatch.

HORSEWHIPPED A DOCTOR .-- At Bridgeport, W. Va., yesterday after- government is without legal right to noon Mrs. Ross Hill, a respectable woman, wife a local machinist, met Dr. dead now burled in the national com P. F. Hoppler on the street. She was accompanied by her bushard. Mrs. cial act of Congress will be necessary Hill without warning dashed a handful carry out this purpose. Some souther of cayenne pepper into Dr. Hoppler's members of Congress called on this face, and, while he was blinded and in ficial yesterday and conferred with agony, leshed him about the head and on the subject, at the request of ace and back with a heavy whip. Ladies' Confederate Association of Mrs. Hill kep up her assault until Dr. District of Columbia. A bill will be Hoppier staggered into a store door troduced in a few days giving the Wal and escaped. He is covered with great department the necessary authority wollent welts and is severely hurt, and it is presumed that the Mrs. Hill's busband followed, urging mains of the soldiers will be transferred her to lay the lash on well. The Hills to Hollywood, at Richmond. laim Dr. Hoppler insulted Mrs. Hill when she was in his office to secure professional services. Dr. Hoppler says the trouble came from his dunning the Hills for a bill.

CREDITORS PUSH COUNT BONL -- At members on Thursday, having for their the Civil Tribunal at Havre, M. Davil- object the revision of or a supplemental lier, a banker of Paris, asked the court to sanction the seizure of the yacht Valballs, belonging to Count Boni de Cashalls, belonging to Count Boni de Cas-tellane, for \$150,000 due. M. Henri bodying as nearly as possible the in Bonnet, of the Paris bar, on behalf of dividual views of the committee. The Count de Castellane, stated that the final vote on this proposition will by such thad cost \$170,000 and that \$60,000 taken today. The proposition adopted had been spent on her. He asked for delay on account of the case now pending in Peris, but the court refused to listen to him and ordered that the the General Assembly convenes in May. amount claimed be paid before the end of February, failing which the Valhalla should be put up at public auction with a reserve price of \$110,000.

THE TROUBLE BETWEEN RIVES AND Rosser .- When General Rosser eject. ed Captain J. Henry Rives from the room of the McKinley-Roosevelt Club in Charlottesville some ime ago for persisting in making a speech, the point of which was that Rosser had "paraded" the name of Roosevelt all over the State to the exclusion of the names of better representatives of the republican party, Captain Rives tendered his resignation. The public supposed that to be the end of the matter, but at the next meeting, which was held Thursday night, the club refused to accept th resignation, and formally dropped him

MONEY THE CAUSE OF CRIME -Bishop Potter addressed the Church Club at New Haven, Thursday night, He chose for his subject "Wealth and Commonwealth." He said: "Divorce, crime, and corruption in all our cities have one root-the lust of money. The one eager, dominant hunger which salutes us from one end to another of our broad land is the passion, the hunger, the greed of gain. Challenge what method you will in the complicated web of our industrial, political, or social life and you will find the question of gain behind it."

The Southern Planter for December has been received from its publishers in Richmond. The Planter is decidedly ported today. This is the lowest record in favor of the passage by Congress of the pure butter bill.

[COMMUNICATED. The columns of the Gazette, without doubt, are too valuable for my vapor. ings, and as a correspondent still in. sists that the railway is an ornament as well as a convenience, I ought not further dispute his logic. Space and time are nothing to him if not fast. He imagines that "a crow would have to carry his rations" (to quote a distinguished general not from south of Muson's and Dixon's line) from Jackson City to Mount Vernon if this railway was not so persistenly interested in our welfare, and nothing would have occurred in Alexandria from the days of George Washington to the tim- of Geo. Simpson (both good and great men,) our modest Mayor will pardon this earnest tribute of a well-wister), bur for the honest money, gold and stiver, not that of our daddies, but all from north of Mason's and Dixon's line, Tacorrespondent asks: "Can XX name single place where an electric railway is being operated that meets with a much opposition by the law-making powere as does the one in this city? I reply, I do not! and by way of post script add, nor do I know of one so much deserving of it. Now I will ask him, as he has laid aside his law books, to read Mayor Simpson's message to Council on the railway question, and to which my attention has been recently cailed. I quote from it, describing joint meeting of the City Council, and an extract from remarks of the rallway's attorney upon that occasion: The Mount Vernon Company had here now (1893) subject to taxation, what would give us the city, \$1,500 per annum and Council was asked to act, not for a monopoly, but for the people who we to be greatly benefitted." Can the respondent point out another rail company anywhere who has prom so much and performed so littl ? I been tated, a mere rumor perhaps, the railway company is thinking she and running direct to Mount Verne by way of Spring Park. Should this ever occur I would humbly suggestible two monuments be erected, one at south end of the Long bridge, the other at the south end of Hunting creek bridge, to give evidence that there is something worth looking at in the South, and they could also represent the twin virtues-Ornament and Co. venience. This could in a measure save to compensate those who live is-and love, and feel a pride in old Bell Haven-for the loss of Mount Vernor avenue, the latter a splendid concep tion, not however I imagine of early realization. In conclusion, month mental obtuseness could not excess a failure upon the part of any one to ma-derstand that in commenting on a corr spondent's second ar icle I was in fluenced by the use of the word "ornament" and "Alexandria dolume. I am as kindly disposed, in reason, to large number of its employees are my fellow-townsmen. Others in its en ploy whose acquaintance I have made

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columns, I dismiss the subject electric railway, and also "a clozno mean city." REMOVAL OF CONFEDERATE DEAD .-Quartermaster-General Ludington, of the United States army, is said to be authority for the statement that the disinter and remove the Confederal tery at Arlington. He says that a spe

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PRESBYTERIAN FAITH,-In Washington yesterday the Presbyterian committee of sixteen voted seriatum on the five propositions submitted by various

statement to the Confession of Faith. The outcome of the voting and by the committee at this time will be subject to alteration or change at a subsequent meeting to be held before

COURT OF APPEALS

Turnbull vs. Mann. Argued and submitted.

Miller vs. Miller, Submitted on briefs. White, trustee, vs. Johnson. D.s. missed. South Rosnoke Land Company vs.

Roberts. Passed to January term. McCoy, by &c. ve. Norfolk and Carolins Railroad Company, Argued and Ontinued until Monday, The next case to be called is Norfelk and Western Railway Company vs. Ud

Dominion Baggage Company, &2, No. 26 on argument docket. In Baltimore yesterday received were appointed for the capping and

fertilizer business of Isaac Robinson. How's This?

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